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**Title: INTERNET-BASED SYSTEM FOR IDENTIFICATION, MEASUREMENT AND RANKING
 OF INVESTMENT PORTFOLIO MANAGEMENT, AND OPERATION OF A FUND SUPER-
 MARKET, INCLUDING "BEST INVESTOR" MANAGED FUNDS**

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[X] Application (**52 pages total**), including:Specification (**29 pages**)Claims **1 - 126** (**15 pages**)Abstract (**1 page**)Appendix (**7 pages**)**[X]** Drawings (**8 sheets, including Figs. 1 - 7**);drawings are: [] Informal [**X**] **Formal****[X]** Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney**[X]** The enclosed Declaration has been executed by all of the inventors.

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[X] Check No. 1177 for fees**[X]** Return postcard**Claim of Priority:**

[**X**] Applicants claim priority under 35 U.S.C. §§ 119(a), 119(e), 120 and §365(b) of the following
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Provisional Applications Nos.: 60/197,569 filed April 17, 2000;
60/231,058 filed September 8, 2000;
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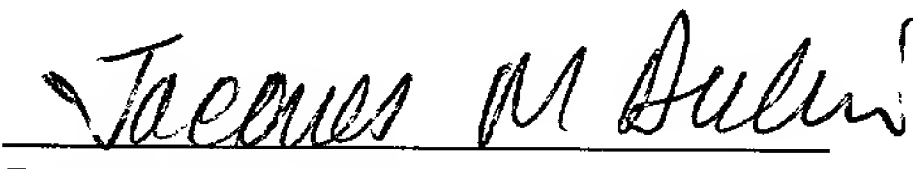
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